



Ninety-Seventh Legislature - Second Session - 2002
Committee Statement
LB 1040

Hearing Date: February 25, 2002
Committee On: Business and Labor

Introducer(s): (Business and Labor)
Title: Approve payment of certain claims against the state

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File
X Advanced to General File with Amendments
Indefinitely Postponed

Vote Results:

6	Yes	Senators Connealy, Chambers, Dierks, Hartnett, Preister, Schimek
1	No	Senator Vrtiska
	Present, not voting	
	Absent	

Proponents:

Senator Matt Connealy
Leslie S. Donley

DeMaris Johnson

Representing:

Business & Labor Committee
Department of Administrative Services-Division of Risk Management
Nebraska County Attorney Association

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 1040 is the annual state claims bill. The bill seeks legislative approval of certain actions of the State Claims Board in approving the payment of claims and to authorize certain state agency write-offs.

Sec. 1. Provides for the payment of miscellaneous claims against the state and appropriates \$156,756.56 from the General Fund and \$19,641.50 from cash funds for a total of \$176,398.06 for the payment of such claims.

Sec. 2. Provides for the payment of tort claims against the state that have been settled and approved for payment. Appropriates \$35,109.74 from the State Park Cash Revolving Fund for the payment of one tort claim.

Sec. 3. Authorizes the Director of Administrative Services to draw warrants in favor of the beneficiaries named in the bill; provides that the amounts appropriated are full payment of any and all claims, rights, causes of action, damages, and demands; provides that the director is not to deliver any warrant until a receipt and release in full has been filed by each of the beneficiaries.

Sec. 4. Allows state agencies to write-off certain amounts that have been designated as uncollectible.

Sec. 5. Emergency Clause.

Explanation of amendments, if any:

The committee amendment adds a new section containing two Workers' Compensation Lump-Sum Settlements; one for \$45,856.08 and the other for \$20,039.57.

Also added is a Tort Claim to section 2, for \$125,000.00, to be paid out of the Tort Claims Fund. Cash Fund payments would then equal \$160,109.74.

Further, a miscellaneous claim is added to section 1 in the amount of \$5,000 to Kathy Anstine, bringing the total of miscellaneous claims to \$181,398.06.

Senator Matt Connealy, Chairperson